A SHOP IN NEW YORK.

Incidentally She Tells About the Troubles of the Wife of an M. P.-Thinks Eng- satisfaction. I forget both, and in contears -Confession of an Interviewer. episodes.

in point of service of the Irish members of the House of Commons, is over here for a fortnight. The famous "Tay Pay" is among the most popular men of his one American woman in London.

seem to have suffered by transplanting



in a moment.

*EVERY WOMAN SHOULD SUPPORT HERSELF A YEAR BEFORE MARRIAGE."

At the Hotel Patterson her suite of rooms | "When we met at dinner Mr. O'Connor resembles the double set of a French said casually So you and Mrs. White farce in which people are coming in and have made up? I thought you said you going out with such rapidity that it makes would never forgive her?' the head ache, or the squirrel entrance of the Waldorf-Astoria at tea hour. The I had had a serious falling out at a preelectric button at the outer door of the vious epoch and my husband with his sitting room is pressed continually by wonderfully retentive mind had quoted eager fingers, and accompanying it is the me exactly. telephone bell.

Feminine friends rush in and press her mered. to throbbing hearts with ecstatic emthat must be discussed that she had stayed know any more?"

helplessly at the mural decoration of who the woman was. Of course then, phere. His look was icy. spring hats with sympathetic faces be- too late, I remembered everything. I "After we were seated I looked about

"Do I know her?" she asks. The many headed decoration makes a

noncommittal gesture. Buttons suggests that she is an intimate

"Of course," says Mrs. O'Connor. "If seamy sides of the life of a woman whose attempt to make me over in this respect

the luxury of having enemies. "Now that we are on the subject I

"Mrs. White was a woman with whom

"Was that er-er-Mrs. White?' I stam-

"You see," she says, "it isn't a case of merely forgetting the name and rememital confidence following some such event effect. That is so like a son. Mine is a should be a larger market for Irish laces bering the face; that is a sort of half way as I have related, described to me in most dear box and a clever artist. eloquent and convincing language the lish Women Will Have votes in Five sequence my life is a series of tragic melancholy of the position of a man in cently along King's Road and I nodded by the lace output; that is only one of the public eye whose wife did not re- and smiled blithely to a rather peculiar many. The Irish Industries Association Once a woman rushed up to me on the member from day to day the names and looking person whom we met and who is just as interested and pushes with just Mrs. T. P. O'Connor, wife of the oldest street and we became immediately engrossed in a conversation of an intimate at least the slight compliment of that

nature touching events and people of kind. common interest. I felt she must be some whom I knew very well or she would after it we attended a dinner given by 'why, that is-er, why, oh, I cannot reparty and Mrs. Tay Pay is referred to not have been so terribly glad to see me or some political club at one of the fashion-member his name this very second, but here a few years ago but for some reason not have been so terribly glad to see me or some political club at one of the fashionby returning visitors as the best known know so much about me, so as we sepa- able hotels in London . It was quite an rated I begged her, simply begged her, affair, and there must have been a great him every time we go out.' Her reputation in this respect does not to come in to tea very soon. She said she many guests whom I had never met bewould and the next day she came sailing in fore, but whenever I saw anything that answered son. 'He keeps a public house that the surface is altogether pure silk, beamed in ecstatic fervor. I even you ranked him among your friends.' were left tête-à-tête and had a most en- put myself to the trouble of gazing about

> "Just before dinner was announced a fore I could really wake up to the knowl- the salon, rubbing his glasses and looking friends. about with a shy and bewildered glance. He caught my eye, and petermined to her own sense of humor and says she had Dublin water." So I rose, rushed, fairly rushed across of thought. the room, seized him by the hand and met again.

I don't remember her name she is sure husband is a prominent figure in the and has even given up joking on the sub- Society, with which Mrs. T. P. O'Connor political world. There are people who ject; but my son has not. Naturally he be- has been connected for many years and The sadness of an expression which believe it a rose strewn path. Take lieves there is still hope of amendment, of which Lady Cadogan is president.

sordinarily mirth provoking is explained my word for it there are thorns and rough and I have no doubt he thinks that the "In London we have accomplished a MRS. T. P. O'CONNOR'S PLAN FOR is ordinarily mirth provoking is explained my word for it there are thorns and rough and I have no doubt he thinks that the sly jests with which he entertains our tremendous amount of work in this direc-"Mr. O'Connor in a moment of mar- guests on this subject will have a good tion," she says. "In New York there

"Son and I were walking one day re-

"'Who is that, mother?' he asked. "'That,' I responded at once, sure that linen and the homespuns. "I took the lesson seriously, and shortly the name was on the tip of my tongue, you must remember him. Why, we meet have died out in favor. Certainly no one

"Oh ves I remember him perfectly." approached an expression of friendliness down the street a bit, but I didn't know while firmness is given by the wool in the

irritating laugh. Whenever we meet a any one who has not served a seven year specially disreputable character now son apprenticeship or who is not the oldest young man came and stood at the door of always points him out as one of mother's son of a poplin maker to work as a poplin

leave no doubt in the mind of my husband determined to keep the interview along that I was cordially inclined toward his serious lines, but something had side-classified as a clubwoman, although she constituents and their friends I selected tracked her against her will and that now s a member, not very active, of the Lythis person as example of wifely sentiment. she intends to follow out her original line ceum Club, which has many American

told him how delighted I was that we had country: which is concerned with the Journalists, to which o'fice she was suc-"Like the ancient mariner. I held him exhibition and sale of Ireland's products, rally something has to be said about the with my glittering eye while I talked in to be conducted under the direction of suffrage movement my very best manner, utterly ignoring and in connection with the Irish Industries

than in London.

"The Irish products are not limited as much vigor the knitted work, the embroideries, the manufactures of silk and

"We want especially to make popular the poplins, which had a decided vogue can deny the beauty and durability of the real Irish fabric, which is so woven interior. Such skill and watchfulness are "Wasn't that unfilial? And I wish you required in the manufacture that the joyable time. Mr. O'Connor happened in search of such evidences of previous could have heard him laugh, the most Dublin poplin makers refuse to allow weaver The beauty of the coloring has At this point Mrs. O'Connor deprecates been attributed to the popularity of the

Mrs. O'Connor discla ms any wish to be members She was also one of the first This refers to her mission to this presidents of the Society of Women establishment of a branch shop for the ceeded by Mrs. Humphry Ward. Natu-

"I am not a militant suffragette-please



"'Certainly it was Mrs. White,' he said very natural embarrassment of a young braces. One young woman in evening sternly. 'Do you mean to say that you man selected so conspicuously for my atgown at 11 A. M. had dropped in the eve- were taking tea in your own house with tentions. Fortunately dinner was anning before to have a few moments quiet a woman whom you didn't know-a nounced very soon after, and as we chat and had discovered so many subjects woman you had vowed you wouldn't started for the dining room I cast a look full of triumph in the direction of my hus-"All I could do was to shake my head band, expecting to get at least a slight Once a name is announced by the patient in absolute and utter confusion. Until recognition of my charm of manner, Buttons and Mrs. O'Connor looks about that moment I had absolutely no idea which I felt pervading the entire atmos-

certainly gained one lesson, however, and discovered that the young man I had and that is that it does not do for a woman chosen as focus for my efforts was the who is absent minded to allow herself leader of the orchestra of four pieces

which accompanied the repast. "I think it was dating from that moment may as well initiate you into some of the that my husband realized the futility of any

focussed on the cause. I predict that in five years women will get what they want in this respect, five years at the least. I mean of course the women of England.

because I do not believe in any other way could the public attention have been One of my reasons for this is because

of the sex who do not love sacrifices-you of times. appreciate the fact that it means more than the face value would seem to signify. English chaps, about here and there, who silence, 'Yes, I love it.' Take Elizabeth Robins, for example, would tell you with the air of having done "Several years after When the play 'Votes for Women,' re- something really remarkable that they got at the house of a friend. He came toward cently given here, ran at the Court Theatre halfa dance with Miss Pankhurstat the ball. me and referred again to the interview. in London she devoted all the proceeds to Let a woman stay in jail a few days now 'I love it,' he said, 'I love it.'

MRS. O'CONNOR MEETING AN ENEMY.

woman. "Her example has been followed by

many others, and to these gifts are added | murmuring 'Jove, she's got pluck!" the contributions of women who have plenty and are interested in the cause. Mrs. T. P. O'Connor when she first came from Texas to New York was engaged If another reason was needed for my for some years in journalistic work, belief it might be found in the saying of Occasionally she interviews a celebrity some statesman that when two women or some politician on an important quesintrigue monarchies may fall.

There were not less than 10,000 women who marched in the famous procession takes down all the conversation. of last year from Westminster to Albert Hall, all working, or intriguing as that of this journalistic pedestal at the story statesman would have called it, for of the New York newspaper woman who universal suffrage; and if two can arouse suspicion that their efforts will be re- who had just seen her name on the title warded it is no wonder, is it, that the page of a magazine devoted to fiction, present policy of the English statesman "Why, I didn't know you wrote fiction?" present policy of the English statesman is of close scrutiny and arrested ac- with the rejoinder "Didn't you? You tion? He doesn't apparently dare to have seen my interviews, haven't you?" announce himself inimical, and so he hesitates; and I suppose the man, like the sort," Mrs. O'Connor answers with swoman, who hesitates is lost.

"My reason for not going to jail is, I a number. suppose, found in the temperamental am of the council of peace who expect and hope everything will be settled by versationalist at all and while he could play arbitration; but I am an ardent admirer divinely that did not do me any good, as say suffragette," says Mrs O'Connor, arbitration; but I am an argent admits he pould not play the interview.

"but I heartily approve of their methods of all the militant crowd—especially of he pould not play the interview.

"So I let my imagination have a good turesque figure in the demonstration.

and charm. A very significant fact, it people said to me after it was public seemed to me, was shown at the suffra-

"After it was over you'd meet some fine

the cause, and Miss Robins is not a rich and if she has failed to get converts before she went in she'll have plenty afterward. The Englishmen rush to her side then,

> tion. She goes about it in a gilt edged manner, having a secretary with her, who

She laughs, however, from the summit

"I know that kind—the imaginative "Once I was assigned to an interview

fact that I am not really a fighter. I with a very noted 'cellist, Holman. Like most of his profession, he was no con-

time and wrote really a most charming "Like the Englishman, I am a lover of article about what he had done and his nerve and pluck, and besides these quali- plans and his opinions and all the rest of ties she is the possessor of wit and youth the regular interviewing talk. Lots of What an interesting man Holman is

ward, referring to the interview, 'I love it. I love it,' and after a minute or two's

"Several years afterward I met Holman

"My ring? Where is it?" Ennis held

THE MARK OF THE

Be a Real Clue Even When It Is False.

A clue may be a real clue even when it is false," said Abe Cronkite

Judge Marcellus swung about impatiently in his desk chair.

time for paradoxes."

and yet that object may possess intrinsic evidence which will trap him." "You mean?" asked the Judge picking

up from his desk a gaudy order of dancing and tapping with it.

near the scene of the murder has set the police in a hot chase after Emmet Denby. Undoubtedly he wore it swinging from a princely reward for Denby's apprethe lapel of his coat at the ball that night | hension? Ridiculous! Don't listen to him, and when he left at 1 o'clock. The surgeons testify that Mr. Canda

had been stricken down only a few minutes when his body was found, yet warm, in the park through which Denby would naturally pass. That was at 2.

at him, all the more so for his strange disappearance."

We know all that. Abe." interposed the does not care to have it rehearsed."

hocks to count.

contrive to save him.

leads to some suggestion." Merely to this, madam," explained

signs of having been in the possession of some one other than Denby-slight, all manner of things to all sorts of men. no doubt, but positive. Examine the back He never missed a chance, therefore it of it, Judge, with this glass. You both

but a few meaningless scratches. Mrs. Canda, gazing longer, at length

They are too regular to be meaningout the outline of a hard oblong object about an inch long and a little less wide With a sharp protuberance at the centre

ients, how regular they are!

raised and sharpened from use. With a stone that was pressed convulsively, placed where it was found."

'And Emmet has never cared for jewelry. I will swear that he did not wear a ring at the ball."

'Talk sense!" he snapped, "I have no who has the nervous habit of turning the stone inside the hand? Remember I was at the inquest; I studied each witness

> ghastly pale. Then with a deep sigh she revived absolutely. "You mean Paul Ennis." she said.

Ennis, Mr. Canda's trusted partner in

life; his executor with full powers now that he is gone, the man of all men intent on avenging the murder, who has offered my dear madam."

Mrs. Canda, as she rose to go, stood a prophetic, almost tragic figure in her tall gauntness.

"I will neither make nor mar," she asserted solemnly, "nor do you, Judge Josiah Marcellus. We have shot the bolt;

When she was gone the Judge took up a police that in swinging the bludgeon the law book and read it attentively. Then, raising his eyes, "Very well, Abe," he said. As he turned even more doggedly to the book the detective went forth quietly

The Snack Club was an exclusive and fashionable resort for luncheon downtown. Its members prided themselves Affliction has taught me self-control, not only upon its unexceptionable cuisine Judge," said the widow, wetting her dry but even more upon the advantages "The shock of my dear brother-in- for business offered by the intimacies and aw's murder was too exhaustive for other confidences of the smoking room. In that half hour lounge after eating many a As I told you I came here at Enid's famous deal had been consummated and

It was natural when Simeon Leach, the tor, presented his card in his modest way "I agree with her. Therefore let your at the club, and all unnoticed partook of man complete what he would say if it his chops, toast and tea in an obscure corner, that Paul Ennis should seek him out, yes, and draw him out too. Paul Cronkite, "that the order card bears was a member of the house committee, who was here, there and everywhere, and was not likely he would miss so palpable

a local cloud of neglect.

The difference between the two men as they strolled into the smoking room was marked. The banker was heavy, stolid, almost rustic in appearance, with a slight self, with every facility for work, that's ea," she murmured. "Why, I can make glance of appeal that turned to grate-

Answer it Ennis did, in his adroit

form fairly palpitating with interest and

if you have the right man in the right

"Suppose you just look over this confidential prospectus while we sit here. It

as he turned over the peculiarly soft and flexible pages of the memorandum, perpetuity for a regular principal! If this goes through, Mr. Leach, will be the most promising enterprise

opportunities, reaching far into the future, the more glittering as they spread; and Ennis listened as only one imagina-

will be the greatest thing of the greatest

age."
"Softly!" warned the impassive Leach.
"As you see, there is much to do. This
statesman must be conciliated, that interest must be wiped out. I must have time and place to gather together these

slight, it was a choice of evils or go hungry, but I don't dare do it again. Hotel walls have ears. "Yes, a hotel, no matter how private, wouldn't do at all," asserted the energetic Ennis; "especially as I happen to have just

Ennis; especially as I happen to have just the place at my disposal.

"You see as Mr. Canda's executor I have lately moved into his roomy old house, big enough for a dozen families—it gives me a chance to go over his papers at night. Besides the servants only the two ladies who lived with him are there, Mrs. Canda, his sister-in-law, and her daughter Enid, his niece, and the sister in close attendance on the niece, who

me have that m randum, will you? It is worth my keeping, even if you have rumpled it

LONDON HOUSE

A SALE OF IRISH

Banker Leach found that the old Canda house possessed all the advantages for his purpose that Ennis had promised. After his presentation to Mrs. Canda he feebly was alone throughout the day in his comfortable suite and the great impressive library, free to prepare in peace the startling figures that so excited Ennis

with Mrs. Canda. After an anxious glance the good woman's face settled into its normal calm of melancholy and resoluteness.

"You are welcome, sir," she said. is right that you should be here under the circumstances. My daughter is so ill that it isn't likely I shall see you agian, but you'll do your work all the better for forever that-ah, yes, all the better for that."

With an old fashioned courtesy she went her way, silently, with head bowed, you take it along; but I fancy you won't as a nun may pass along the path of submission.

> spend at the library desk. He soon knew the simple routine within-when the doctor would come and go, and when the maids, having finished their morning tasks, were remote in the housekeeper's quarters below. In the long silences before the table was set for luncheon and \$100,000." dinner he was seeking-and at length he found.

At 2, the safest hour, one afternoon he slipped up the circular stairs and out upon the gabled roof, shifting shadowlike from one irregular refuge to another until, before he was seen, he stepped into the cupola, long since disused and practically forgotten. At the sound a young man, bending anxiously over a foreign guide book, sprang to his feet, his hands

You are Emmett Denby," said Leach. "I will go with you willingly, if only we may not alarm the house."

"Hum." mused Leach, motioning Denby to a chair and sitting close beside him. you are here in hiding by the connivance of Mrs. Canda. I have watched her prepare food stealthily that could not be deboth that you may escape beyond the package.

"I will plead guilty, I tell you," interrupted Denby passionately; "so there can be no suspicion of any one."

"Softly, softly," interposed Leach. This is murder in the first degree, you know. The law will not allow such a plea without formal proof of the com- Such a transfer, it seems to me, would mission of the crime. An old, a worthy precaution, since otherwise distaste for think of it, Judge?" life, or a chivalric sense of honor might lead one innocent to a shameful death. "I said a chivalric sense of honor, Mr.

ing how your order of dancing got out of your possession at such a critical "Why don't you take me? Why do you torture me?" demanded Denby. "Because I share your scruples, because

they have the sinews of war, and when gette ball given not long ago, where she I had no idea he had such temperant you think that this money comes from was the undoubted belle, and she could and wit and such a cultivated mind. women a great deal of it by the sacrifices have filled her programme over dozens Holman himself said when we met after-

Yes, she is innocent; but you, her lover, but Mrs. Canda, her mother, both paltered with an unworthy fear. For shame to dream that one so weak, so young, so lovely, could have dealt that awful blow. could have foully murdered her relation and benefactor!"

She is innocent!"

'It was to shield her," protested Denby "Yes, I know; because she had your order of dancing; because she has at times in the past acted in a way to confound, to dismay you both. Ah, that hits close, doesn't it? And yet, what other reason-

able deduction can I make from such pre-cautions, knowing the murderer as I do; having his very sign manual, having deadly proof/against him?"

"Oh, who are you? Who are you?"

"I am Abe Cronkite, Judge Marcellus's man; set by him at the entreaty of Miss man; set by him at the entreaty of Miss Enid Canda-think of that—to establish your innocence. Come, tell me all, all, as you would to a father confessor; and I promise you that the blight that has kept deepening over your life shall be lifted

IV. "Well, what do you think of it?" asked Leach one evening when he had presented his final calculations to Ennis. Ennis breathed hard. His hand

clenched; his fingers working uneasily in characteristic fashion. characteristic fashion.

"Think of it?" at length he blurted, "Great heavens, man, it is an exhaustless subject to violent fits of rage and somemine of virgin gold. I will take, oh so gladly, the small share you offer me for

Leach sharply.

time to turn myself." "Yes, such a shock might lay its victim open to unscrupulous influence," replied the doctor, sternly. "I told Mrs. Canda this months ago. I told Mrs. Canda this months ago. I told her that a major operation would restore her daughter to her real self. You know, Judge, better terms in five minutes. The fact is my after luncheon offer to you was nothing but a gift, and you know it. Well, take it or leave it." readily good nature comes folly. There are a dozen places cown where I can get better terms in five minutes. The fact

The glitter in Ennis's eyes sparkled the more feverishly as his breath came quick and short.

"Draw up the assignment." he said "By the time you are ready I will be. You don't object to such gilt edged securities as these, do you?" He went to the safe in the corner and slapped down signed for the sick. It is the hope of you on the library desk a crisp and opulent

"They are A No. 1," answered Leach. scrutinizing the securities coolly, "but the trouble is that they stand in the name of Timothy Canda."

powers." "Yes, but not a beneficiary under it be a gross breach of trust. What do you

"Curse you both!" screamed Ennis, springing to his feet, as Judge Josiah Marcellus emerged dignifiedly from a

"I am executor of his will, with full

civil and criminal.

"Then you will be laughed out of them for your pains," boasted Ennis, "when Enidratifies my conduct, as she has already consented to it, when she proudly asserts every to it," declared the detective "You wore it the other day, when your intense cupidity caused you to make

the Judge, going to the door, returned a moment later with a grave and elderly

confidences." sneered Ennis. "Another breach of professional ethics." "If you decline the test you yourself

lover, that she has authorized him to convert her fortune to his own use, and that she will ratify these statements in open court. What do you say?"
"I can speak more surely of what Miss
Canda will do than of what she may have

pily engaged to Mr. Emmett Denby, re-ceived a severe shock in a railway accident. After a long period of insensibility she apparently recovered.
"Her mother, however, began to notice

times to violent actions, all without reason or motive, and all utterly alien and repul-

ach intense terror-Of course she did." chuckled Ennis "Of course she did," chuckled Ennis
"However, when her uncle was mysteriously murdered, when her former lover was suspected of the crime," continued the doctor, "Miss Canda showed the superiority of the spirit over the flesh. She was unable to recall any of the incidents of that night but she felt rather than knew that in some way some unable to the course was supported to the course way and the course was supported to the course was supporte than knew that in some way, some unworthy way, as if constrained by a power greater than her weakness, she was in-volved in what had happened. She in-

sisted that Denby was innocent, she insisted that at any risk her mind should be cleared, her nature converted."

"As a result you performed the operation you had suggested and it was successful," interposed the Judge. "What now does Miss Canda say?"

"She says that Ennis exerted an influence."

"She says that Ennis exerted an influence over her which she could not withstand; that he forced her to secure Denby's order of dancing for him; that he forced

intense cupidity caused you to make the exact facsimile of the impression on the order of dancing on the confiden-

on the order of dancing that the vou."

As he held up the soft, flexible paper distinctly showing the oblong paper distinctly showing the oblong outline with its four little dents Ennis shrank back, shivering and speechless, before the realization that his death warrant bore his own sign manual.

FAMOUS DEAD HEATS. Those Between More Than Two Horses Not Frequent Now.

Dead heats on the flat do not occur with such frequency as they did. As it is, we get quite enough of "dead heats of but there is a spice of romance about a "dead heat of three." At York in 1896 for the Badminton

Plate three horses passed the post looked

together. They were Messala, Bajardo

and Casse Con, ridden respectively by M.

Cannon, T. Loates and S. Loates. A third Loates was fourth on Hamptondale, and be was beaten only s short head by the leading trio. In 1880 at the Lewes summer meeting Scobell, Wandering Nun and Mazurka ran a dead heat for the Astley Stakes Only a head behind the struggling trio

commotive, and all utterly alien and repulsive to her natural character.

"Cash down, and now or never," replied liking for Ennis and at the same time a dread of him, the liking in his presence, the dread in his absence."

"Of course you will give me the usual importance in the case of him, the liking in his presence, the dread in his absence."

"All caused by the railway accident, no doubt," scoffed Ennis.

"Yes, such a shock might lay its victim open to unsermoulous influence."

"Yes, such a shock might lay its victim open to unsermoulous influence." official verdict.

In 1845 on the Thursday of the Newmarket Houghton meeting two dead heats of three" occurred in the same

afternoon.

In 1882 there was a dead heat of three in a field of five for the race called the Sandown Derby, but afterward known as the Electric Stakes, run over the strains the Electric Stakes, run over the strains.

the Electric Stakes, run over the straight five furiong course at Sandown Park. The dead heaters were R. S. Evans's Marden (R. Wyatt), P. Lorillard's Gerald (F. Webb) and the Duke of Hamilton's Leonora (J. Watts). In the runoff Marden, who in the meantime had had his plates removed and ran unshed. plates removed and ran unshed, wen three lengths, a head only separation second and third.

second and third.

The most notable dead heat of three was the finish for the Cesarewitch in 1897 between El Hakim, Prioress (an America entry) and Queen Bess. There was thirty-four runners, and the starting prices of the dead heaters were 8 to 1 El Hakim.

30 to 1 Prioress and Queen Bess.
In the decider, which was run off in the waning light, George Fordham was substituted for Tankesley on Prioress and Bray for Little on El Hakim. The change of jockeys appears to have worked to some advantage in the case of the Ameri-can mare, for she won the decider, by a length and a half, a head separating the

other two.
Once there was a dead heat of four at Newmarket in a sweepstakee for two-year-olds, run over the first half of the Abing-don mile. This was at the Houghton neeting in 1855. Five started and the race



Cronkite Shows How a Clue May

"For instance," continued the imperturbable detective, "a fugitive from narrowly." justice may designedly leave behind an

I mean, sir, that that order found

Hence, unless it can be shown that some one took this order from Denby let it strike as God shall direct." between 1 and 2 o'clock the theory of the order was snapped from his coat becomes reasonable, and suspicion points directly

Judge with a glance toward the elderly ady by his side, her wan face immovable under the heavy crape. "Mrs. Canda

clans say that she is in for brain fever, cipher to its imposing sum total. but she has not ceased to reiterate that Denby is innocent and that you must Canadian banker and railroad construc-

"I see nothing," declared the Judge,

looked up breathlessly.

clamps at top and bottom and each side premises. unconsciously against the eard while made some clumsy reference to his courit was held in the hand until it could be tesy. "I recognize my duty to a stranger

"Will you swear, madam, who it is who does wear a signet ring habitually, us often, you know, the banking house

Mrs. Canda laid back her head. Her ebject to throw his pursuers off his track eyes closed, her complexion turned "Tut, tut!" sneered the Judge. "Paul

and thoughtfully on his quest.

almost delirious entreaty. The physi- many a fortune enabled to add another

an approach to wealth and influence under a local cloud of neglect.

fulness as it was answered. Answer it Ennis did, in his adroit meet you at 8 o'clock, as you say, and be and energetic way, his bright eyes fairly your guest, if you feel sure you can speak. I realize that the news of your arrest

of each side line. See those four little reading the other's wants, his nervous for the ladies. Until then, so long. Oh, would send Miss Enid Carda from her present his conduct to the courts, both card, showing how you nervously clutched "Like a signet ring, madam, with the intensifying every word. So might a stone turned from habit, inside the hand? greyhound welcome and ingratiate itself With a stone held in place by four gold with a mastiff that had strolled upon his

"Pray don't say another word, my dear fellow," protested Ennis, as Leach in a strange land, of course; but you are far more—the friend and associate of my late lamented partner, Timothy Canda, though your dealing ceased before I entered the firm. You have written

of Canda & Ennis? "Surely," agreed Leach, "and it was my intention to look you up, though for prudential reasons I am not advertising my presence in town. You have been so very kind; and, by Jove, I have always believed in striking while the iron is hot

is the only copy I have with me or I'd let be long in determining whether it is attractive or not looking up from the ground floor."
"What a concession," murmured Ennis

of the century."

"Not only will it go through." replied Leach, "but I see no reason why you "Not only will it go through." replied Leach, "but I see no reason why you shouldn't get aboard and go along."

Then in crisp, terse terms he described the business in hard, its present difficulties, which demanded that for a time he should work secretly; its golden concertuities, reaching far into the

and Ennis listened as only one imagina-tive of wealth and hungry for it can listen, his black eyes the brighter as they nar-rowed, his colorless face as keen as a falchion, his nervous hand clasping and moulding the paper that it held.

"Oh, if I might!" he murmured; "it will be the greatest thing of the greatest

fragments into an orderly whole.
"We must have time and place where I can direct how you should execute. The isk I ran in dropping in here to-day was

the place."
"Very well," agreed Leach, after a lit-tle discussion back and forth. "I will

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when they discussed them at night. Brief indeed had been this meeting

Not all the daylight hours did Leach

outspread. "I admit it," returned the other simply.

seas and thus save one-

Denby, such as prevents you from explain- dark recess. "What is this, a stall?"

"Then you will be laughed out of them

consented to it, when she proudly asserts her confidence in her affianced lover."

"She will do neither."

"Bring her here and she shall do both "
"You know that is impossible, but there is one who can and will speak for her"; and

Now we are going to have sickroom

proffered I will act instanter," remarked the Judge mildly; and Ennis crouched in his chair like one driven into a corner.
"Now, Dr. Mervine," began the Judge briskly, "if you please. Mr. Ennis asserts that he is Miss Enid Canda's affianced

done, as will appear from my preliminary explanation." answered the doctor. A year ago Miss Canda, who was then hap-

order of dancing for him; that he incread her to forget what she had done; that she believes he murdered her uncle." "Oho," laughed Ennis. "Who cares for what a lunatic believes? Where is the proof for such an outrageous accu-sation? There will be proceedings in the courts, gentlemen, both civil and

calmly, "that unless Mr. Ennis has other explanation than that which a sense of duty compelled me to overhear. I shall be constrained, as attorney for Miss Enid Canda, the principal beneficiary, to said Abe Cronkite, producing the order of dancing. "The very impression of your ring on the back of this reach, by Birdcatcher."

said of the proceedings in the courts, gentlemen, both civil and resulted in a dead heat of four, the fifth horse being only beaten half a length by a head, half a length separating second and third. The decider was won by a head, half a length separating second and third. The order of dancing. "The very impression of your ring on the back of this reach, by Birdcatcher.